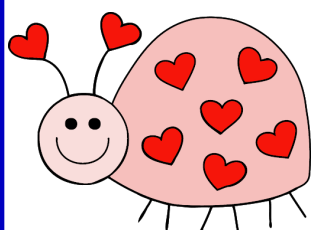


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This newsletter is created monthly by FPGHC volunteers.

THANK YOU FOR SHARING IT



Director's Corner

Nicole Rosser, MPA
Executive Director

This month we have the pleasure of celebrating our Host Church / Support Church partnerships. Several new congregations have joined together to help Family Promise serve

homeless children and their parents.

It is great to see our churches combine forces and collaborate to increase the impact of our program and services; working as a unified body regardless of denomination. Aside from shelter and services, our families have the opportunity to witness the strengthening of the community through collaboration and not denomination, which is often times their greatest testimony while in the program.

If your church is interested in the Family Promise Ministry but you think you don't have the resources to serve...think again. Low membership or limited space may be a concern but much can be accomplished by partnering with another church.



L-R: Tammy Dunn, Christ United Methodist-Host with Lavatar Bass, Word in Season



L-R: Amy Holbeck, Shady Grove Baptist-Host with Vivian Lewis, Fellowship Bible Baptist



L-R: Ruth Hatton and Marilyn Etheridge, First Nazarene-Host with Vivian Lewis, Fellowship Bible Baptist



L-R: Linda Sablan and Laurie Wing, Westminster Presbyterian with Lynn and J.O. Miller, Centerville UMC-Host



L-R: Annette Anderson, New Hope of Perry and Courtney Martin, Centerpoint with Angela Slappey, The Vine-Host



What a Wonderful Surprise!

Christ United Methodist Church is well known in the community for their great support of local mission efforts with funds raised through their annual Pumpkin Patch event. Family Promise was blessed with a donation of \$1,778.00 from this most recent fall event. Christ United is also a host church for FPGHC, led by Coordinator Tammy Dunn. We are grateful for all their support and encouragement!

Pictured L-R: Anthony Dunn, FP Co-coordinator; Lessia Razo, Pumpkin Patch Assistant Leader; Rev. Kirk Hagan, Pastor of CUMC; Terri Marcum, Pumpkin Patch Leader; Dave Razo, Pumpkin Patch Volunteer;

and Ronnie Shivers, President of the FPGHC Board.



We are pleased to introduce you to our newest support congregation, Centerpoint Church. We welcome our new friends, to the Family Promise network. FPGHC is blessed to have them join us in serving homeless families from our community.

Centerpoint Church, led by Pastor Jason Comer, is located at 1197 Feagin Mill Road, WR. You can visit their website, to learn more about their ministries, mycenterpointchurch.com.



These awesome volunteer coordinators recently attended their first planning meeting of 2020. Without their leadership our families would not receive the hospitality and loving care they have come to so greatly appreciate. Thank you, coordinators and congregations for all you do!

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED at the *Peaches to the Beaches* event!
See the information below for specific information about the sale.

*We need help Thursday, March 12 to sort, price, & pack donations and load our truck / trailer.
We need volunteers to assist with sales at our tables on Friday & Saturday, March 13-14.
Call Diane South, 860-908-6687, and let her know how you can participate.*

More details coming soon on our Facebook page.



*Family Promise will be a part of Peaches to the Beaches,
Georgia's biggest & longest yard sale,
March 13 & 14, 2020; 8:00 am to 6:00 pm.
The booth location will be announced soon.*

*We are seeking donations of household items/tools for our
booth. NO clothing, please!*

*Family Promise has a storage unit at Little House Self
Storage, 2282 Moody Road, Warner Robins. If you have
donations someone can meet you at the storage unit or we
will pick them up.*

*Call Diane South at 860-9058-6687 or Ronnie Shivers at
478-396-1917 for further information.*

*Family Promise will provide a tax deduction form
for the items donated.*

Congratulations!

to Tomah and her son on their big move.
We are all so proud of you!

Although Tomah had a minor setback and had to have surgery while in the program, she continued to press forward. No excuses and much prayer! Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers and coordinators who stopped by her "Big Move" celebration to shower her with gifts and love.



Joining in the celebration are L-R: Tony Steedly and his son from Union Grove Missionary Baptist, Nicole Rosser, Tomah, and Ronnie Shivers, President of the FPGHC Board.

Volunteer Training

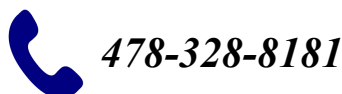
The February Volunteer Training will be held Monday, February 24th, 6:00P.M., in the Conference Room at the Day Center. Join us and bring a friend to learn more about serving our guests. Call the office, 328-8181, to let us know of your plans to attend.

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**There were no individual donations since our last
Publication; Hope to hear from you.**



**Homelessness/Poverty Fact Sheet
(Info from the National Office)**

- The 3 most cited reasons for family homelessness are:
1) lack of affordable housing, 2) unemployment, and
3) poverty
- 2.5 Million children will experience homelessness this year
in America
- Students experiencing homelessness are up to 9 times
more likely than their non-homeless peers to repeat a
grade.
- 51% of homeless children are under age 5 and, therefore,
too young for school and are not counted.
- 35% of all homeless persons are families with children
- Homeless families are often hidden from our view-they are
living in shelters, cars, campgrounds, or doubled up in
overcrowded apartments.
- Nearly 40 million people (1 in 8) in the U.S. live below the
poverty line.